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## Holiday Refuse and Recycling Collection Schedule:

- ▶ Refuse and recycling normally collected on Friday, December 23, 2022, will be collected on Thursday, December 22, 2022.
- ▶ Refuse and recycling normally collected on Monday, December 26, 2022, will be collected on Tuesday, December 27, 2022.

## Tax Bills Coming Soon

Tax bills will be sent out to homes in mid-December. Please see the tax insert letter for payment options and due dates.

## Village Roadway Snow Removal Procedures

Village crews are responsible to clear all public streets of snow, starting with the main thoroughfares. They then proceed to remove snow on streets adjacent to schools, followed by snow removal on the remaining residential streets and alleys. Sidewalks that abut Village-owned land, such as parks and government buildings, as well as public parking lots, are also the responsibility of Village staff. At times, a liquid anti-icing agent is applied to streets prior to a snow event to prevent ice from bonding to the pavement.



## Where Do I Park in the winter (12/1/22 through 3/31/23)?

**Alternative Side—Even/Odd—Parking:** In the winter, monthly permit holders and free nightly permissions will be required to follow alternate side parking. Vehicles should park on the even-numbered side of the street with an even calendar date before midnight, and on the odd-numbered side of the street on those nights with an odd calendar date before midnight (unless an exemption applies). Vehicles with monthly overnight parking permits must be moved once every 24 hours. Visit <http://www.wfbvillage.org/189/Parking-Permits> for more information.

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DEAR RESIDENTS,



Each family has their annual holiday traditions. For our family, we always give an experience gift to our son. Typically it is tickets to a Bucks game, and as luck would have it, there was a game on Christmas day in 2022. We had a great time cheering the Bucks to victory and our son created a poster saying 'Giannis my Christmas wish is your shoes' since Giannis is known for giving away his shoes after each game. Our feature family, the Minnings, have a holiday tradition of organizing a gift drive with friends. They also have the unintentional tradition of having three generations of twins run in their family! Enjoy learning more about how this family just might end up in the Guinness Book of World Records someday.



Christine McBride

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# TWINNING

*With The Minnings*

BY CHRISTINE MCBRIDE

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Some people set a goal to hold a Guinness World Record. For the Minning family, another set of twins in their direct lineage, will do just the trick. Currently with three generations of twins in a row, the possibility exists for their family to tie the Guinness World Record for longest lineage of twins, if the current youngest generation eventually has a set of twins.

The first generation of twins, Richard and Bill Minning, are fraternal twin brothers born in 1948. Then in 1980, Richard and Gail, had fraternal twin boys, Chris and Eric. Shock of all shocks, in 2015, Chris and his wife, Dana, had fraternal twins, a boy named Cal and a girl named Liv.

Raising twins is no easy task, and Chris and Eric's parents asked their maternal grandmother to live with the family to help raise them. She was originally from Puerto Rico and came to the United States when her husband was relocated for a position with GE to the Washington D.C. area. "I loved having my grandmother be such a huge part of my childhood," Chris noted. "She was always at home with a snack for us right after school and made the best empanadas. We had such a close relationship and I have so many positive memories of growing up with her." Chris grew up in Maryland, and when it came time to pick a college, both brothers picked UW-Madison, because that was where their father and his twin brother, their uncle, had gone to undergrad.

When Dana was in undergrad at UW-Madison and Chris had graduated and was working in the area, the two met and were set to go on a date. The evening before their date, Dana ironically ran into Eric, and thinking it was Chris, told him how excited she was for dinner the following evening. Rather than playing into the twin mix up, Eric admitted that he was actually his twin, and the two became fast friends over a beer. The following night, the real date between Chris and Dana took place, and they have been together ever since. They got married in 2010.

Having had fun living in both downtown Chicago and then the East Side of







Milwaukee, in 2015, they decided they were ready to start a family. “We went to the ultrasound appointment and when our doctor nonchalantly told us we were having twins, Chris immediately began crying tears of joy,” Dana said. “I, however, was in shock and that evening I woke up in a cold sweat and said ‘We only planned for one baby!’ and without missing a beat, Chris said ‘It’s going to be awesome’ — and it really has been.”

The twins’ arrival did motivate the family to move to Whitefish Bay in 2016, and a second generation of a grandmother helping began. Dana’s beloved mom, Mary Beth, affectionately called Mimi, was recently retired from teaching and offered to help. “My mom was all too familiar with raising twins, having younger twin brothers of her own. With twins running on both sides of our family, I guess having our own twins was inevitable,” Dana said while smiling. In 2019, they completed their family by adding singleton Henry to the Minning mix. The twins embraced Henry immediately, and the three siblings are one tight unit.

After becoming parents, they were motivated to give back to those families in need. A friend connected them with a family at Nativity Jesuit Academy and they were given a holiday wish list for the family. After others heard about this, more of Chris and Dana’s friends wanted to be paired with a family. “While people think of holiday lists as having just toys, most of the lists these families submit include items they need versus items they want. We see a lot of requests for warm clothes, shoes, boots, mittens - things that most of us just take for granted,” said Chris.

Their first official year organizing group gifts had 60, and last year it grew to over 300 items purchased by friends to donate. “The entire front area of our house is taken over by gifts during the collection weeks,” Dana said. “It has become a family tradition for our kids to help shop for gifts and then transport them to the school. The tradition has helped us teach our children how fortunate we are and how awesome and incredibly generous our community is.”

Around the holidays, the Minning family loves to spend time together with all three sets of twins. Eric and his wife, Maureen, live close by in Washington Heights, and the original ‘Minning Twins’ Richard and Bill both still live in the Maryland-area. While there’s no pressure on the next set to keep the twin tradition going, they also wouldn’t mind being in the Guinness Book of World Records some day.





# North Shore Fire and Rescue Department

## Be A Hydrant Hero This Winter

**D**id you know that locating and clearing a buried fire hydrant can delay firefighters from being able to carry out tasks like searching for victims or deploying water on a fire by as much as ten minutes!? Despite extensive mapping and computer software, locating completely buried hydrants can be tricky. In addition, continued snowfalls, along with thawing and melting, creates ice buildup that can be extremely difficult to break through due to how solidly frozen the area may become. This ice buildup may force crews to have to pass up the closest fire hydrant and lay additional hose, requiring additional fire engines and personnel, and creating a labor-intensive effort just to get necessary water to the hose lines. Following a few tips will ensure you and your neighbors have the best situation should tragedy strike this winter:

- Communicate with your neighbors and devise a plan for keeping your hydrant clear with each snowfall. Just because the hydrant is not directly in front of your home doesn't mean that you don't need to worry about it. If you see an elderly or disabled neighbor trying to work on the hydrant in front of their house, offer to be a good neighbor and take it over.
- When clearing the hydrant, try to create at least a three-foot clearance in all directions. Creating a large circular path ensures that firefighters have a clear and easy path to all connections in all directions. Frozen caps and mounds of snow can change how firefighters need to approach the hydrant and prevent freezing during active firefighting operations.

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- Check hydrants following each pass of the snowplow. While it is never their intention, the snowplow drivers may inadvertently bury the hydrants as they work to widen roads and clear away slippery snow. Failure to clear the snow quickly can create hardened ice that is difficult to break away.
- Keep an eye out for bubbling or other leaking coming from around hydrants. Occasionally, the changing temperatures and constant freezing and thawing does damage to the components. Quickly notifying the community can help to get the hydrant repaired as soon as possible and ensure you have the necessary protection available in a fire emergency.

Help us and your neighbors this winter by being a "Hydrant Hero." Share your photos of your cleared hydrant with us via Facebook, Instagram and Twitter using the hashtag #HydrantHero. Learn more about the services and programs offered by North Shore Fire/Rescue by visiting our website, [www.nsfire.org](http://www.nsfire.org).



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# SCHOOL DISTRICT

BY JULIE PITEL, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT & COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST



## Save the Date

- **Friday, December 23 – Monday, January 2:** No School – Winter Break



## Incoming 2023-2024 4-Year-Old Kindergarten Visits at Cumberland and Richards Elementary Schools

Whitefish Bay resident families of students who turn four on or before September 1, 2023, are invited to a 4K Overview at Cumberland or Richards Elementary School on Friday, December 9, 2022, at either 9:15 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. This event will be hosted by the Elementary School Principals and include a welcome from the 4K teachers, a short story with the Library Media Specialists and a question and answer session. Please visit our website ([www.wfbschools.com](http://www.wfbschools.com)) to register for this event. Contact Cumberland (414-963-3943) or Richards (414-963-3951) with any questions.

4K Enrollment will open on Monday, December 11, 2022. Enrollment forms are available in the main office at Cumberland or Richards and on the elementary schools Registration/Enrollment webpage at [www.wfbschools.com](http://www.wfbschools.com).

Families that submit completed enrollment paperwork (including proof of residency and verification of your child's original birth certificate) by noon on Friday, January 6, 2023, will be included in a random drawing for placement in the morning session.



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**D**uring the holiday season, most of us are busy buying gifts, attending parties, baking and spending time with family. At any time of year, the subject of life insurance can be difficult to discuss. Like developing a will or designating a guardian for our children, it centers on the idea that we are no longer here to enjoy and care for our loved ones.

No amount of life insurance can replace the emotional support we give the special people in our lives. However, it can provide them money they can use to continue – and grow – in their lives.

Consumers can select from a variety of life insurance policies and providers. Three common options are term life insurance, whole life insurance and universal life insurance.

**Term life insurance** can offer coverage for a specific term or length of time, such as 10, 15, 20 or 30 years, and is often purchased to provide funds for short-term financial obligations such as a mortgage or a child's tuition in the event the insured dies. A term policy typically contains no cash accumulation features.

**Whole life insurance** generally provides coverage throughout a person's life with level premium payments, as well as a level death benefit. Unlike term insurance, a whole life policy may gradually accumulate a cash value, which you may be able to borrow against while the policy is still active or cash if you choose to surrender the policy. Unpaid loans and any accrued interest may affect the death benefit.

**Universal life insurance** offers more flexibility than whole life insurance. It allows policyowners to change premium payments, subject to certain limits, which may affect the cash value of the policy. The death benefit may also be increased, subject to continued insurability, or decreased.

Selecting life insurance protection that's right for your situation is a deeply personal decision. Your loved ones' immediate and future needs, the income that will be lost if you die, and the amount of premium you can afford to pay are several of the factors that need to be considered.

Even if you have life insurance through work, taking a few extra minutes to make sure you and your family are fully protected is time well spent and provides peace of mind. Many families also use the holidays to "gift" juvenile life insurance to their children and grandchildren for them to have later in life. Please reach out to a Life Insurance licensed insurance agent for additional information.

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# Whitefish Bay Public Library

**JOIN US** for a view of the Pabst Mansion at an in-person program on Tuesday, December 6, at 6:30 p.m. The Pabst name is well known in Milwaukee, and the Pabst Mansion is certainly one of Milwaukee's Victorian jewels. This program presents the world of Captain Frederick Pabst at the turn of the century. It focuses on his family, his beer and, of course, the Pabst Mansion itself. The visual tour includes rarely seen images and information. Dave Fehlauer will be the presenter. He is a former educator and school administrator. His interest in history and historical buildings led him to become involved with the Pabst Mansion as a docent and lecturer.

Want to dig into more Pabst history? Check out the Mimi Bird Historical Collection, available online and in print in the library. There is a treasure trove of information in the collection about the Pabst Whitefish Bay Resort, in operation from 1888–1914. On the library's website, look for the "Read and Research" tab, and follow that to our Historical Collections Page. The print volumes are available for supervised viewing and are kept in the Mimi Bird memorial bookcase near the Adult Services Desk.

There is also a wonderful photography book by John Eastberg titled *The Captain Frederick Pabst Mansion : an illustrated history*. This coffee table book from 2009 is a great resource for those interested in learning more about the Pabst legacy in Milwaukee. This book is available for checkout from the library.

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**STAY SAFE IN YOUR HOME DURING AND AFTER A WINTER STORM** by heating your home safely. Avoid turning on the stove for heat and instead use extra layers and blankets, a fireplace or portable space or kerosene heaters. Never put heat sources close to drapes, furniture or bedding. Depending on the heat source, ventilation is not needed and it is best to keep as much heat indoors as possible by avoiding opening doors, closing off rooms you don't use, and covering up windows and cracks in doors.

**STAY SAFE OUTSIDE IN WINTER WEATHER** by dressing warmly and staying dry. Do not ignore shivering, but instead go inside to warm up if you are experiencing constant shivering.

**PREVENT HYPOTHERMIA AND FROSTBITE** by recognizing the signs and acting immediately. Hypothermia occurs when you are exposed to cold temperatures for a prolonged period of time and your body temperature drops to dangerous levels, causing shivering, exhaustion, confusion, fumbling hands and/or slurred speech. If a person exhibits these signs, take their body temperature and if it is below 95° F, medical attention should be sought immediately. While waiting, try to warm them up by getting them inside, removing wet clothes, warming the center of their body and giving them warm, non-alcoholic drinks. Frostbite can also occur when exposed to cold temperatures for too long and presents with redness or pain, a white or grayish-yellow skin area, skin that feels firm or waxy and/or numbness. If a person has frostbite symptoms, but not hypothermia symptoms, medical care may not be necessary. Instead get them into a warm room, avoid using frostbitten hands or feet, do not rub the affected area, put the frostbitten areas into warm (not hot) water and do not use a heating pan or other heat source as this can cause burning.



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We specifically want to thank those businesses who have supported a Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation event in 2022, many of whom are long-time contributors. Their generosity has made so many events, grants, scholarships and civic activities possible. Simply put, we couldn't do it without them. As you engage these local businesses, please thank them for their continued support and dedication to our community.

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Thank you to the merchants on Silver Spring for participating in the evening's festivities and adding holiday hours throughout December. They greatly appreciate your patronage throughout the year and are well poised to meet all your season's gift-giving needs!

We hope you'll join us for the upcoming events on Silver Spring in December:


-  Santa's Mailbox will welcome letters to Santa right up until Christmas, located at 316 E. Silver Spring.
-  Enjoy the beautifully lit Christmas tree in Consaul Commons.
-  The Ice Sculpture Crawl returns December 17, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Stroll Silver Spring and enjoy ice sculpture displays, courtesy of the merchants.
-  Celebrate Hanukkah with the Menorah located at Berkeley & Silver Spring from December 18 to the 26.

Our merchants provide exceptional service and unique products while serving as an integral part of Whitefish Bay's distinctive character. Many area residents own and operate businesses within the shopping district; their investments in the neighborhood and contributions to local organizations strengthen the community. We're proud to have each of them on Silver Spring and honored to know that you continue to support them throughout the holiday season.


Make sure you follow us on [www.MerchantsofWhitefishBay.com](http://www.MerchantsofWhitefishBay.com) for a calendar of events from our merchants to help you with your holiday shopping. Also "Like" us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ShopWFB/> for daily and weekly updates. Remember to Shop\*Eat\*Enjoy Local for the Holidays!



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# The Greater Milwaukee Community Gathers To End Hunger



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On September 27, more than 200 people gathered for the Archbishop's Reception & Update for Friends of Catholic Relief Services at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center. This annual event celebrates and features the work of CRS—the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Now in its 15th year, this year's event, Nourish the World

to End Hunger, sought to raise awareness and funds to combat global food insecurity.

"There was such great energy in the room as we finally were able to gather in person—240 of us shared food and drink as we listened and learned from our guest speaker what CRS is doing today to help this crisis in over 100 countries," says Kay Redmond, event committee co-chair. "Not only did we raise funds for CRS, but we had many new attendees and much awareness was raised."

The event committee in Milwaukee, co-chaired by Kay Redmond and Sue Schmitt, motivated local businesses and individuals to support tackling this pressing issue. Generous sponsors included



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"Millions of people go to bed hungry each night due to climate change and severe weather, soil and fertilizer issues, loss of farmland, the pandemic, export blockades and more," says Kay, referring to the more than 700 million people—over double the U.S. population—who are undernourished, the majority of them children. Complicated factors like poverty, conflict and changing climates all contribute to the increasing number of people who don't have enough food.

But perhaps the single most important fact about world hunger is that you can help end it. Your support, prayers, and commitment to justice can make a world of difference. To do more, we hope you can join our event next year.

"I was so happy to have this CRS reception in person this year," says co-chair Sue Schmitt. "It allowed many who support CRS to visit, to learn more about the great work CRS does every day for so many and to celebrate Catholic Relief Services."

To learn more about how Milwaukeeans are joining the movement to end hunger, visit [crs.org/Milwaukee](https://crs.org/Milwaukee)

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## COMMUNITY HEALTH SERIES PROVIDED BY NORTH SHORE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- ▶ Holiday and End of Year Stress Management
- ▶ Lydell Community Center, Rm 17
- ▶ Wednesday, December 14, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

For many, the holiday season is, without a doubt, the most awaited time of the year, but the hustle and bustle often brings an increase in demands—cooking meals and baking, shopping, events and entraining. It can also mean an increase in stress. This community education session will focus on taking a moment to pause and include ways to help manage holiday and end-of-year stress—to help keep it the “most wonderful time of the year.”







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- ▶ Lydell Community Center
- ▶ Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, 5:30–7:00 p.m.
- ▶ In-Person Registration will begin Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.



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**YOUR ANNUAL** dog and cat licenses expire every December 31. Licensing is often overlooked until your best friend ends up at your friendly, local animal control! Unlicensed animals cost more to reclaim and it is harder to reunite animals without tags, such as a license. Licensing your pet is not only required by state law, but there are great reasons to keep it updated each year!

- Keeps you compliant with state and local laws and ensures all residents and their beloved pets are protected from rabies
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# The Cornucopia

**THANKSGIVING** has ushered in the winter holidays, and perhaps your party's table featured a bursting cornucopia centerpiece. Plymouth Pilgrims and the Pokanoket Wampanoag tribe co-hosted the first Thanksgiving in 1621 to celebrate the harvest.

The cornucopia symbolizes abundance. It mimics plants' production during peak harvest, annuals' valiant effort to bloom and fruit. This year I watched my zucchinis spit out a dozen perfect tiny squash in the days before our mid-October snow-shower. Like my garden plants, the cornucopia's pumpkins, grapes and sunflowers spill out of its horn of plenty.

Its orange, red, and golds mirror the fleeting fall colors. As sunlight wanes, trees burn brightest before our barren winter—like a last gasp of breath, only to be exhaled when the first spring bulb pokes through the snow-covered soil. Nature tells me it's time to stuff ourselves with sensory experiences before a long cold winter.

Whether you love Wisconsin winters or commonly ask yourself why you choose to live here whenever the frigid air hurts your

face, there's an undeniable hibernation needed. It's slower paced. It's dark. That said, winter is punctuated by festive celebrations, and we in Whitefish Bay love to decorate! It's fitting to feature a cornucopia in this transition season.

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# A New Book on the Bay's Historic Sites

Just in time for holiday gift-giving! Whitefish Bay Historian Thomas Fehring has just completed his fourth book on the historic locales of Whitefish Bay. His latest, *Architecturally Significant and Historic Sites of Whitefish Bay*, is a compendium of the homes and locations that have been placed on the Village's Architecture and History Inventory (AHI) by the Historic Preservation Commission.

Fehring writes, "The Village of Whitefish Bay is filled with attractive, architecturally significant and historic buildings.

Some of the most notable are listed on the AHI. The AHI is a tool used by those interested in historic preservation to identify, educate, and thus help to preserve architecturally significant and historic properties. The inventory was established in 2006 with additions made periodically."

The information in this book was formerly maintained in three-ring binders located at the Whitefish Bay Library. Publishing this information makes it more readily available to residents.





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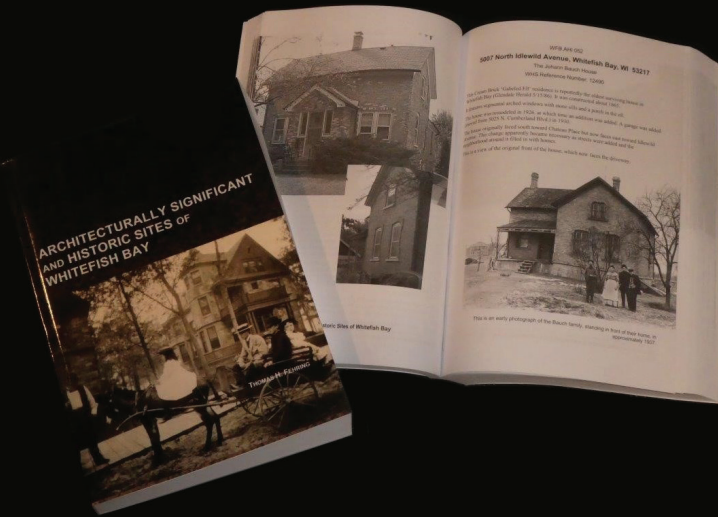
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"While the summary of the Village's AHI will likely be of relevance to the owners of the more than 240 homes and other sites contained in the inventory, it should also be of interest to anyone who wishes to explore Whitefish Bay's history," Fehring said.

This book is tied to the bronze sidewalk medallions located throughout the Village. The medallions mark the properties that are on the AHI, and readers can learn more about a residence linked to a medallion from the book. The black & white paperback book can be purchased for \$20 at the Whitefish Bay Library. All proceeds go to historic preservation projects in the Bay. There are other versions available for sale online.

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